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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Stuhr, would you yield?

SENATOR STUHR: Yes.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: So I'm clear, this is a one-time appropriation just this year, Educational Innovation Trust Fund.

SENATOR STUHR: The one-time appropriation are the unobligated funds that remain in the fund right now. Then, as I indicated, it would be 15 percent of the lottery...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay,...

SENATOR STUHR: funds that are in ...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...hereafter, into the hereafter, okay.

SENATOR STUHR: Yes.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Now what about operating costs or other implied costs that would be ongoing, and I assume that would be local school districts, nothing implied back to the General Fund of the state at this point?

SENATOR STUHR: Not at this point.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: And the schools, if they did buy some technical equipment and so forth that needed repair, maintenance, it is the understanding that they would be obligated to those costs themselves?

SENATOR STUHR: That's correct.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I didn't know whether it was necessary to make this distinction, but as I sit here and think about it, so often we get into these one-time appropriations and we actually have a huge case right now, one-time appropriations and now we're getting hit for additional one-time appropriations, and I wanted to make clear, probably doubly clear, triply clear about what you're saying that this would be one time to the schools, as far as you're concerned, and then one...and then annually out